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FLUORESCENCE ANALYSIS

AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated April 27, 2004, the period for response having been extended to October 27, 2004, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This reply includes:

Amendments to the Abstract of the Disclosure;

Amendments to the Specification and submission of Substitute
Specification;

Amendments to the Claims; and

Remarks.